

METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REDUCING TOTAL BANDWIDTH
WHEN STREAMING MULTIPLE MEDIA STREAMS

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

5 Methods and devices for streaming multiple media streams are
described. A plurality of media streams is received. A media stream is
selected. In one implementation, a service is performed on each of the media
streams except for the selected media stream. The service reduces the
10 respective bandwidth of each media stream (except for the selected media
stream) so that the total bandwidth of the media streams is reduced. The
media streams including the selected media stream are then streamed to their
destination. The media streams other than the selected media stream are
streamed at less than their initial bandwidth, while the selected media stream
is streamed at its initial bandwidth.

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